Mr. Subba Iyer said that, that being a very small Bill containing only verbal amendments, there was no need to refer the Bill to a Select Committee. He therefore proposed that the operation of the ordinary rules of business be suspended, so that the Bill might go through all the further stages except the final reading.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Iyer then proposed that the Bill be read again on a future day of which notice should be given.

Seconded by Mr. Aiyappan Pillai.

Carried.

MOTOR VEHICLES REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Subba Iyer, in introducing the Motor Vehicles Regulation Amendment Bill, said that the amendments proposed in Section I of the Bill were necessitated by the change in the official designation of the head of the Police Department from "Superintendent" into "Commissioner" made in the re-organisation effected in 1088 M. E. He also said that it was desirable to insert a specific provision in the Regulation empowering the Commissioner of Police, the license-giving authority under the Regulation, to test the skill or competency of persons applying for drivers' licenses.

Seconded by Mr. Aiyappan Pillai.

Mr. Sesha Iyer said that a law on the subject had just been passed by the Imperial Legislative Council and that the Council had better see what that law was before taking steps for amending the Regulation.

Mr. Subba Iyer said that the object of the Government of India Act was to consolidate the existing provincial enactments regarding the regulation of motor vehicles.

The President observed that the Travancore Motor Vehicles Regulation was based on the Madras Act, I of 1907, and that, having regard to the large number of motor vehicles in use in the State, it would be well to enact at once the provision in Section 2 of the Bill in view to guard against danger from in-experienced and unskilled men becoming drivers.

The Council adopted the suggestion made by the President.

Mr. Subba Iyer moved, in regard to this Bill also, that the rules be suspended and that the Bill be passed.

Seconded by Mr. Aiyappan Pillai.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Iyer then proposed that the Bill be read again on a future day of which notice should be given.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

THE LUNACY REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Subba Iyer moved that the Lunacy Regulation Amendment Bill be finally read and passed.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

THE ANCHAL REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Subba Iyer stated that, before the Bill was finally read and passed, it was necessary to insert in sub-section (3) of Section (1), a date from which the proposed law should come into force, and he proposed that the words "the 1st Medom 1089" be added at the end of the sub-section.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

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ERRATUM.

In the Abstract Proceedings of the Meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 3rd March 1914/20th Kumbhom 1089, published on pages 1043 to 1045 of Part I of the Government Gazette, dated the 24th March 1914/11th Meenam 1089, omit the words "and the manufacture of opium" occurring in line 2 under the heading "The Opium Bill", on page 1045 of the Gazette.

(By order)

Huzur Cutcherry,
Trivandrum, 8th August 1914.

K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY,
Secretary to the Legislative Council.

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Mr. Subba Iyer said that the words "Section 36" in line 4 of sub-section (1) of Section 39 and the words "Section 21 or Section 22" in line 5 of sub-section (2) of Section 53, were mistakes for "Section 38" and "Section 18 or Section 19", respectively, and he moved that the latter words be substituted for the former.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Iyer then moved that the Bill, as thus amended, be finally read and passed.

The motion was put and agreed to.

THE OPIUM BILL.

Mr. Subba Iyer moved, on behalf of the Government, that the provisions of the Bill relating to the cultivation of the poppy and the manufacture of opium be omitted.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Iyer said that the motion just then carried necessitated an examination of all the provisions of the Bill, and he therefore moved that the Bill be recommitted to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. Vieyra, Parameswara Menon and the Mover, for report within two months.

Seconded by Mr. Mahadeva Iyer.

Carried.

THE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES BILL.

Mr. Subba Iyer moved that the Co-operative Societies Bill be finally read and passed.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

The Council adjourned at 12-30 P. M.

President.

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